



March 12, 2007

H.Res. 89 - Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a day should be established as Dutch-American Friendship Day to celebrate the historic ties of the United States and the Netherlands

Floor Situation

H.Res. 89 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Peter Hoekstra (R-MI) on January 23, 2007. The bill was ordered to be reported from the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, by unanimous consent, on March 8, 2007.

H.Res. 89 is expected to be considered on March 12, 2007.

Summary

H.Res. 89 resolves that it is the sense of the House of Representatives that a day should be established as Dutch-American Friendship Day to celebrate the historic ties of the United States and the Netherlands.

Background

225 years ago, on the 19th of April, 1782 in the City of the Hague, the Ambassadorial credentials of John Adams were officially recognized by Prince William V of Orange and the States-General, thus establishing formal diplomatic ties between the new government of the United States and the Republic of the Netherlands.

The diplomatic ties between the governments of the United States and the Netherlands are the longest continuous ties between the United States and any country of the world.

Cost

H.Res. 89 has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

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